

**U.S. Department of the Interior  
Bureau of Land Management  
Rock Springs Field Office**

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West Flank (Wild Bunch) 3D Geophysical Exploration Project

EA # WY-040-OG04-05

Decision Record  
And  
Finding of No Significant Impact

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Decision:

It is my decision to adopt the proposed action alternative, and consequently authorize geophysical exploration as described in the attached Environmental Assessment. This project will take place around Rock Springs, on White Mountain and in the surrounding areas, within the jurisdiction of the Rock Springs Field Office, Sweetwater County, Wyoming.

Finding of No Significant Impact:

Based on the analysis of potential environmental impacts contained in the attached EA, I have determined that the impacts are not expected to be significant and that an environmental impact statement is not required.

Rationale for Decision:

Compared to the no action alternative, the proposed action best meets the standards and direction of the various guiding laws, regulations, and directives that apply in this matter, including the *Federal Land Policy and Management Act* (43 USC 35). The Proposed Action best meets decisions from, and is in conformance with the Green River RMP, and current national energy policy. This project, when implemented with mitigation, seasonal restrictions, and conditions of approval as described will result in minimal short term impacts and no long term impacts to the environment. Authorization will allow the proponent to collect geophysical information to assist in the location and extraction of oil and/ or natural gas resources.

Compliance and Monitoring:

Designated Bureau of Land Management personnel will monitor and review project operations as needed to ensure compliance with the terms and conditions of the exploration permit.

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Mike Holbert  
Rock Springs Field Office Manager

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Date